



2015 NYC Agenda

10:00am Registration Opens

10:30am Leather 101

- Hide and Leather Types
- Regional Leather Profiles
- Life Cycle & Manufacturing
- Hide Treatments
- Tanning Processes

11:30am Break

11:45am Leather Sourcing & Supply Chain Issues

- Input and Supply Chain Cost Considerations
- Leather Sourcing Data, Analysis & Challenges

12:45pm Lunch (Provided)

1:45pm U.S. Customs and Leather

- Leather Footwear Customs Classification Issues
- US Labeling Laws

2:00pm Leather Characteristics, Quality Control and Chemical Laws

- Leather Characteristics (*Interactive Session*)
 - ❖ Material samples at various stages of the manufacturing process (raw, limed, wet blue, crust, finished)
 - ❖ Hands-on session looking at different leather types (aniline, semi-aniline, pigmented, etc.)
- Tanning Errors & Quality Control
- Laws on Chemicals Used in Leather Processing & Manufacturing

3:15pm Navigating Anti-Leather Initiatives By NGO's & Public Activists

3:30pm Closing